

# MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 7(D)

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**TO:** Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** (Second Reading 6-2-15)  
April 21, 2015

**FROM:** R. A. Cuevas, Jr.  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Ordinance related to approval of  
County budget; amending  
Section 2-1795 of the Code  
related to allocation of County  
resources to require commission  
committee review and  
recommendation regarding  
proposed new fees, rates and  
charges or adjustments to  
existing fees, rates and charges

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The accompanying ordinance was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Juan C. Zapata.

  
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R. A. Cuevas, Jr.  
County Attorney


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# Memorandum



**Date:** June 2, 2015

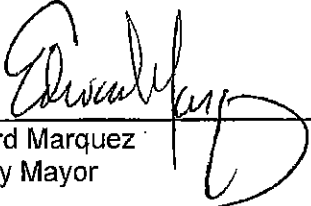
**To:** Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**From:** Carlos A. Gimenez   
Mayor

**Subject:** Ordinance Related to Approval of County Budget

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The proposed ordinance relating to the approval of County Budget amends Section 2-1795 of the County Code by requiring committee review and a recommendation regarding proposed fees, rates, and charges or adjustments to existing fees, rates and charges. Implementation of this ordinance will not have a fiscal impact to the County.

  
Edward Marquez  
Deputy Mayor

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(Revised)

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Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- ☐ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- ☐ Budget required
- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
- ☐ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing
- ☐ No committee review
- ☐ Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's \_\_\_\_, 3/5's \_\_\_\_, unanimous \_\_\_\_ ) to approve
- ☐ Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor  
Veto \_\_\_\_\_  
Override \_\_\_\_\_

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6-2-15

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

ORDINANCE RELATED TO APPROVAL OF COUNTY BUDGET; AMENDING SECTION 2-1795 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA RELATED TO ALLOCATION OF COUNTY RESOURCES TO REQUIRE COMMISSION COMMITTEE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION REGARDING PROPOSED NEW FEES, RATES AND CHARGES OR ADJUSTMENTS TO EXISTING FEES, RATES AND CHARGES; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF  
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA:**

**Section 1.** Section 2-1795 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, is hereby amended to read as follows:<sup>1</sup>

**Sec. 2-1795. Allocation of County Resources.**

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- (d) On an annual basis, the Mayor shall present the proposed budget, in a line item format, to the Board of County Commissioners for approval in accordance with the requirements of Section 5.03 of the Home Rule Charter and Section 2-1800. Other formats, such as narrative, pie charts and graphs may also be used in addition to the line item format to supplement the line item format and a separate schedule containing the following specific expenditures for each department, office, division or other unit of County government shall be included: advertising, rent, security services, utilities, fuel, travel and registrations, temporary

<sup>1</sup> Words stricken through and/or [[double bracketed]] shall be deleted. Words underscored and/or >>double arrowed<< constitute the amendment proposed. Remaining provisions are now in effect and remain unchanged.

services and employee overtime. The Commission Auditor shall work with the Office of Management and Budget (or its successor department) in the development of the proposed budget. Copies of the proposed budget referenced in Section 5.03(B) of the Home Rule Charter shall be made available to the Commission Auditor on the same date as such budget is presented by the Mayor or his or her designee to the Board of County Commissioners. The Commission Auditor shall then commence an in-depth review and analysis of such budget giving full consideration to the County Commission's adopted policy directives, including specifically, an in-depth review and analysis of the proposed budget of the Board of County Commissioners and all departments and divisions that report directly to the Board, including the County Attorney's Office, Office of the Inspector General, the Commission on Ethics and Public Trust and the Office of Commission Auditor and Legislative Analysis Division under the Board of County Commissioners' fund.

>>The commission committee having jurisdiction over budgetary matters shall meet prior to the first meeting of the Committee of the Whole to review and discuss all new fees, rates or charges and adjustments to any existing fees, rates or charges included in the Mayor's proposed budget, and to forward any recommendations to the County Commission regarding such fees, rates and charges. The Mayor or the Mayor's designee will present a report detailing such new fees, rates and charges or adjustments to existing fees, rates and charges at the committee meeting and shall include as part of such presentation, at a minimum, the reason for the proposed new fees, rates or charges or the proposed adjustments, as well as information regarding additional anticipated increases over the ensuing five fiscal years and the assumptions used to forecast such anticipated increases. The Chair of the committee having jurisdiction over budgetary matters shall present any approved committee recommendations regarding the fees, rates and charges included in the Mayor's proposed budget at the first Committee of the Whole.<<

In addition to the foregoing, the Commission Auditor, in consultation with the Chair of the committee having jurisdiction over budgetary matters and the Mayor's designee from the Office of Management and Budget (or its

successor department), shall prepare a separate budget for the Board of County Commissioners and all departments and divisions that report directly to the Board, including the County Attorney's Office, the Office of the Inspector General, the Commission on Ethics and Public Trust and the Office of Commission Auditor and Legislative Analysis Division under the Board of County Commissioners' fund.

Prior to the first meeting of the Committee of the Whole, the Commission Auditor shall present same to the Committee of the Whole. Between August 15th and the first budget hearing, a Committee of the Whole shall meet to review and discuss the Mayor's proposed budget and the Commission Auditor's proposed budgets for the Board of County Commissioners and all departments and divisions that report directly to the Board, including the County Attorney's Office, the Office of the Inspector General, the Commission on Ethics and Public Trust and the Office of Commission Auditor and Legislative Analysis Division under the Board of County Commissioners' fund, and the findings, results and recommendations of the Commission Auditor. Prior to the first meeting of the Committee of the Whole, the Commission Auditor shall provide to the Commission a report by department to reflect each line item set forth in Section 2-1795. Such report shall be as of June 30th of the current fiscal year and shall include the prior fiscal year's budgeted and actual expenditures, the current year's budgeted expenditures and unaudited actual amounts as of June 30th, and the amounts included in the proposed budget. The report shall be filed with the Clerk of the Board and shall be posted on the County's website so it may be available to the general public. In addition, the County Mayor or the Mayor's designee shall post on the County's website the proposed budget in a line item format by program.

Each commission committee shall meet between the first meeting of the Committee of the Whole and the first budget hearing to review and discuss the Mayor's proposed line item budget for each administrative department within the committee's jurisdiction, and to forward any recommendations to the Board regarding such proposed budget. The Mayor or the Mayor's designee will present each departmental budget at the appropriate committee meeting and shall include as part of such presentation, at a

minimum, the information required by Section 2-1800. Each committee chair shall present any approved committee recommendations regarding the Mayor's proposed budget at the second Committee of the Whole.

Prior to the first budget hearing and after consultation with the Commission Chair and the Chair of the committee having jurisdiction over budgetary matters, the Commission Auditor, in cooperation with the Mayor or his/her designee, shall prepare and issue any recommended written changes to the Mayor's proposed budget and shall present same together with proposed budget amendments to the County Commission at the first budget hearing. A Committee of the Whole shall meet between the first and second budget hearings to discuss any proposed changes and recommendations which may result from the first budget hearing. At the second budget hearing, after consultation with the Chair of the Commission and the Chair of the committee having jurisdiction over budgetary matters and in cooperation with the Mayor or his/her designee, the Commission Auditor shall issue any final recommended written changes to the tentative budget and then present implementing amendments thereto to the County Commission.

In addition, the Commission Auditor shall review and analyze any midyear and year-end budget amendments proposed by the Mayor or his/her designee giving full consideration to the County Commission's policy directives. The Commission Auditor shall issue any final recommended written changes to the Mayor's proposed midyear and year-end budget amendments and present same to the County Commission prior to its consideration of such proposed budget amendments.

This subsection is not intended to be construed in any way as a limitation on the Mayor's right to participate in the budget process as set forth in the Home Rule Charter, including specifically the right to attend and be heard at the budget hearings to express a difference of opinion with the Commission Auditor's recommendations and proposed changes, or the Commission Auditor's proposed budgets for the Board of County Commissioners and all departments and divisions that report directly to the Board, including the County Attorney's Office, Office of the Inspector General,

the Commission on Ethics and Public Trust and the Office of Commission Auditor and Legislative Analysis Division under the Board of County Commissioners' fund. The responsibilities assigned by this section to the Commission Auditor shall be deemed a permanent element of the Commission Auditor's annual work program for each ensuing fiscal year without need for further Commission approval.

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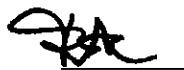
**Section 2.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or provision of this ordinance is held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected by such invalidity.

**Section 3.** It is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners, and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this ordinance, including any sunset provision, shall become and be made a part of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The sections of this ordinance may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intention, and the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section," "article," or other appropriate word.

**Section 4.** This ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of enactment unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

PASSED AND ADOPTED:

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency:



Prepared by:



Geri Bonzon-Keenan

Prime Sponsor: Commissioner Juan C. Zapata